

expanded educational opportunities and vocational training is in no way detracted from by the fact that these measures in themselves can have only a limited effect on the vast rehabilitation problems which are involved. Investment in training of refugee youth will continue to pay dividends in years ahead, in the form of enhanced human resources in the area, irrespective of the pattern of political developments which may determine the ultimate lines of a Palestine solution.

Recognizing the desirability of encouraging these eminently commendable extensions of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency's educational services, and with particular reference to the spirit of the World Refugee Year, the Canadian Government has advanced additional support to the Agency. I have already had the honour of explaining to the Contributions Committee that for the year 1960, the Canadian Government has recently been able to make a third contribution for the assistance of Palestine refugees. By a third contribution I mean one in addition to our normal cash gift for general purposes (\$500,000) and in addition to our second contribution of wheat flour which was to the value of one and one-half million dollars. The third contribution is to the value of one million dollars and is again in the form of flour. The United Nations Relief and Works Agency has accepted this gift, the proceeds of which the Agency has assigned to the development of vocational training. It will be by this much the less necessary for the Director to purchase flour for refugee rations and by this much the more possible for corresponding cash assets of the Agency to be applied to the type of training best fitted to the needs of the Agency and the objectives of the United Nations; nor will any equally essential aspect of the Organization's work suffer, since this contribution is in addition to those which we have customarily made. I hope this arrangement may be as welcome to the refugees and to the host countries as it is heartily approved by the Canadian people.